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MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1915.

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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

ZEPPELIN RAID ON PARIS.

THE VENTURE A MISERABLE FAILURE.

Severe Fighting in East Africa.

OVER 200 GERMANS AND TWO FIELD-GUNS CAPTURED.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

Weather Interrupts Dardanelles Operations.

March 22, 1 a.m.
The Admiralty announces that unfavourable weather has interrupted the operations in the Dardanelles.

A seaplane reconnaissance is impossible; hence the damage to the forts by the bombardment on the 18th cannot be ascertained.

Soissons Cathedral Badly Damaged.

March 22, 1 a.m.

The Paris evening communiqué states:—
The enemy again bombarded the Cathedral at Soissons, severely damaging it.

We advanced slightly on Saturday evening east of the ridge north-east of Meusni.

We lost Great and Little Reichackerkopf, in the Vosges, on Saturday, but recaptured Little Reichackerkopf to-day. A counter-attack for the recovery of Great Reichackerkopf is in progress.

Chief of General Staff.

March 21, 4.20 p.m.

The Gazette announces that Major General Sir William Robertson, K.C.V.O., D.S.O., commanding the 1st Infantry Division since 1914, and formerly Director of Military Training at the War Office, has been appointed Chief of the General Staff.

No Change.

March 21, 4.20 p.m.

A Paris communiqué says there is no change to report.

Air Raid on Paris Fails.

March 21, 5.20 p.m.

A Paris official statement says:—
Between 1.15 and 2 o'clock in the morning, four Zeppelins made for Paris from the direction of Compiegne, following the valley of the Oise.

Two were compelled to return before reaching the capital—one at Ecouen and the other at Mantes.

The remainder were attacked by anti-aircraft guns and only flew over the suburbs of north-west Paris; they withdrew after dropping some dozen bombs.

The damage to property is insignificant. Seven persons were struck, one seriously.

Zeppelin Hit.

While the guns were working, the airships were lit up by searchlights and one Zeppelin seemed to be hit.

French aeroplane squadron participated in the action, but were hampered by mist.

The raid was a complete failure, and demonstrated how well the defensive arrangements work. The populace was most calm.

The Zeppelins, returning, dropped a dozen bombs on Compiegne, but the damage was unimportant and without result.

[An interesting expression of scientific opinion on the futility of Zeppelin raids will be found on the Extra.]

Fight in East Africa.

March 21, 5.20 p.m.

A message from Swakopmund states that Reuter's representative with the Union forces reports that important operations under General Botha yesterday resulted in the capture of over 200 Germans and two field-guns.

The enemy is strongly entrenched in a barren koppie country with field artillery and Maxims, and the fighting, which is severe, continues.

The Union casualties are fairly heavy, while those of the Germans have not yet been ascertained, though undoubtedly they are considerable.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

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Communication Trenches Taken.

March 19, 5 p.m.

To-day's Paris communiqué says:—

At Notre Dame de Lorette we have taken communication trenches towards the village of Ablain. We killed, drove out, or captured the defenders.

There has been most violent fighting between Bolante and Four de Paris. We advanced 150 metres.

We repulsed a counter-attack in the Forest of Convenvoe, and maintained all the ground gained.

We stormed a salient eastward of a position which has been held by the enemy since last month, and repulsed counter-attacks during the day and the night.

A Satisfactory Bulletin.

March 19, 8.40 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir John French, in his bi-weekly Bulletin, says:—

An isolated attack by 200 Germans against St. Eloi was easily repulsed, and two-thirds of the attackers were killed or wounded.

The enemy expended much artillery ammunition in the region of Neuve Chapelle with insignificant results.

Praise for the Troops.

March 19, 5.50 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says a German official communiqué states:—

Weak Russian divisions have forced their way into Memel. Counter measures will be taken.

East Prussian Invasion.

March 19, 11.35 p.m.

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Three Allied Battleships Sunk.

March 19, 11.35 p.m.

The Official Press Bureau says that in the course of a general attack on the forts in the Narrows of the Dardanelles Straits, the French battleship Bouvet struck a floating mine and sank in three minutes. Almost all hands were lost, owing to an explosion aboard.

Floating mines also struck and sank the British battleships Irresistible and Ocean. Practically the whole of the crews were removed, despite a hot fire. The Gaulois was also damaged by gunfire.

The Attack Begins.

March 19, 11.35 p.m.

Mine-sweeping had been in general progress during the last ten days inside the Straits, and a general attack by the Anglo-French Fleets commenced yesterday on the fortresses in the Narrows.

At 10.45 in the morning, the Queen Elizabeth, Agamemnon, Inflexible, and Lord Nelson bombarded five forts, while the Triumph and Prince George aimed at three batteries of howitzers and field guns, which replied heavily.

At 12.22 p.m. the Suffren, Gaulois, Charlemagne, and Bouvet advanced and engaged the forts at close range. Four of the forts replied strongly, but were silenced by the battleships inside the Straits. All the ships were hit.

Forts Cease Fire.

March 19, 11.35 p.m.

At 1.25 p.m. all the forts ceased firing, and the Vengeance, Irresistible, Ocean, Albion, Swiftsure, and Majestic advanced to relieve six old battleships inside the Straits.

As the French Squadron, which had engaged the forts most brilliantly, was passing out, the Bouvet was blown up and sank in 30 fathoms of water to the north of Arenki village.

The relief battleships renewed the attack on the forts, which reopened fire. The attack was maintained while mine sweepers were operating.

The British Losses.

March 19, 11.35 p.m.

At 4 o'clock and 6 o'clock respectively the Irresistible and Ocean struck mines and sank in deep water.

The Inflexible had her forward control position struck by a heavy shell, and requires repair.

The bombardment and mine-sweeping terminated as darkness fell.

Ample Forces Available.

March 19, 11.35 p.m.

The floating mine danger will require special treatment. The British casualties are not heavy considering the scale of the operations.

A report regarding the damage done to the forts will be issued later. The operations are continuing with ample military and naval forces.

Vice-Admiral Sir R. Carden was on the 16th inst. incapacitated by illness, and he was succeeded in the command of the operations by Rear-Admiral de Robeck.

An Eye-Witness's Story.

March 20, 1.15 a.m.

Reuter's representative at Tenedos watched the bombardment on the 18th inst. from St. Elias. It began at 11 o'clock in the morning and ceased at 5 o'clock in the evening. Sixteen battleships in groups of three in the Straits fired at Forts Sandane, Hamidieh, Kidibahr, Medjidieh, and Sjimenlik, which replied vigorously but unsuccessfully. Clouds of black smoke at 2 o'clock in the afternoon rose from a fort near the town of Dardanelles, suggesting that a magazine had exploded.

Total Casualties.

March 20, 5.15 a.m.

It is officially announced that the total casualties during the week were 515 officers and men.

French Account.

March 20, 3.40 a.m.

A Paris official announcement says that the allied fleets were subjected to severe fire in the Dardanelles, and the Gaulois is temporarily out of action. The Henri IV, which is now off Syria, has been ordered to replace the Bouvet.

(Continued on page 5.)

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

Unfavourable weather has interrupted operations in the Dardanelles.

Union Forces in East Africa have captured over 200 Germans and two field-guns.

The Germans have again bombarded Soissons Cathedral, damaging it severely.

Major General Sir William Robertson has been appointed Chief of the General Staff.

Memel has been captured by the Russians after street fighting in which the inhabitants participated.

The garrison at Przemysl made a determined sortie, but lost 3,000 men, who were taken prisoners.

Zeppelins returning from Paris dropped bombs on Compiegne, but the damage done was unimportant.

Fighting is going on in East Africa, the Germans being strongly entrenched in barren koppie country.

During the visit of Zeppelins to Paris it was shown how well the defensive arrangements work; the raid was a complete failure.

Zeppelins have made their appearance over Paris, but they withdrew after dropping a dozen bombs, which did very little damage.

NEWS.

"Jottings by the Way" appear on page 4.

Further Notes on the Crisis appear on page 4.

Saturday's local sport is reported in this issue.

St. Joseph's College Boy Scouts held a successful parade on Sunday.

The latest donations to the Belgian Relief Fund are acknowledged elsewhere.

General news and an article headed "An Eye-Witness's Account" appear on page 3.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2, Commercial News on page 9 and Log Book on page 6.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Wednesday, March 24.

China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.

Ordinary Annual Meeting—noon.

Lezon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.

Ordinary Annual Meeting—12.15 p.m.

Thursday, March 25.

China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

General Meeting—noon.

Wednesday, March 31.

The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. Ordinary Annual Meeting of shareholders—11 a.m.

Hongkong Hope Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Ordinary—11 a.m.

General Meeting—noon.

GENERAL NEWS

Portuguese Politics.
London, March 12, 12.55 p.m.
Lisbon: The Minister for the Colonies takes the Foreign portfolio. Admiral Teixeira Guimaraes becomes Minister for the Colonies.

A Penang Wedding.
The wedding was solemnised at St. George's Church, Penang, on March 5th, of Mr. J. M. P. London, formerly of Selangor and now of Olany Estate, Slim River, and Miss Penelope Conybeare, of Ingleside, Essex. The bride, who arrived by the P. & O. s.s. *Nabis*, was given away by Mr. W. de L. Brooke, while Mr. G. R. S. Whitthe acted as best man. The honeymoon is being spent at the Crag.

America's Chance.
Mr. Daniels, Secretary of the U.S. Navy, speaking in favour of the ship purchase bill at the annual dinner of the Federal League of the International Association of Machinists, composed of government employees in Philadelphia, said that the markets of the entire world were open to manufacturers of the United States and that the present commercial opportunity is the greatest that country has ever had.

The Jews and Palestine.
"When the European war is over we must be organised and insist before the peace conference that the Jews be given a permanent home in Palestine, that we may establish a cultural and political centre," said Dr. Schmaya Levin at a recent meeting of the Philadelphia Zionists. Doctor Levin was a member of the first Russian Duma. After emphasising the fact that the Jews must be thoroughly organised to present their claims, he added: "There are to-day 250,000 Jewish colonists in Palestine, living in harmony and peace. They are supporting schools and various other institutions, and have made the territory a land of paradises."

Sinful Commercial Travellers.
In the course of a trip round the world Colonel Evans, the Queensland Commissioner for Railways, was much impressed by the extent to which advertising is carried in the United States. Speaking to a Chicago reporter, he said:—"Your advertising instincts, if I may use the word, go very far; in fact, I notice you advertise in the Bible. At the hotel this morning I found a copy of the Bible containing advice to commercial travellers. One injunction was, 'If lonesome and blue and friends untrue, read Psalms 23 and 27.' Another, 'If trade is poor, read Psalm 37.' If very prosperous read chapters 10 and 12, 2 Corinthians." If tired of sin, read the eighteenth chapter of St. Luke, verses 35 and 41." That, gentlemen, is advertising. I am going to beg, borrow, or steal that Bible from the hotel. I am going to send it to the commercial travellers in Australia, with particular regard to the sinful portion of the admonition."

Government Changes in Labuan and Brunei.
From the beginning of this year the Straits Settlements Government has brought into force a rearrangement of its representatives in Labuan and Brunei. Hitherto there has been a post of Resident of Labuan and Brunei, with a District Officer at Labuan and an assistant Resident at Brunei. The last assistant Resident was Mr. W. H. Lee Warner, now Private Secretary to the Governor in Singapore, and the holder of the joint Residency has been of late Mr. F. W. Douglas from the F.M.S. service. Government has now placed the two territories under separate Residents and Mr. E. E. Maundrell, from the Colonial Secretary's Office has been appointed Resident of Brunei. He was to have sailed on Saturday last to take up his new duties, but was laid low with an attack of fever and is now in hospital. Mr. Douglas is going home on leave and the D.O., Labuan, acts as Resident there. It is Government's intention also to have only one senior official in Labuan, the Resident, so that instead of three officers to administer over the territories there will be in future only two.

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ACCOUNT.

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London, March 11.
Paris, official:—The French Eyewitness, in an important despatch on the great battle in Champagne, says the violent pressure upon the enemy's lines compelled him to employ large forces from his reserves in other sectors and made him expend great quantities of ammunition. There was incessant fighting in which the best German units were decimated. This prevented the Germans from sending any troops or munitions to the eastern theatre. Among the most brilliant achievements was at a redoubt at Beausejour. Here the colonial infantry gave another proof of their ardour and showed a spirit of sacrifice worthy of their glorious traditions. The redoubt is situated on an important ridge between two ravines and is a veritable maze of trenches.

A battalion of Colonial infantry attacked the redoubt and stormed the first line of trenches. After artillery preparation, the Germans made six counter-attacks and showered grenades. Three attacks were most violent, but the Germans were forced to retire with very heavy losses. The Germans then launched at midnight a massed attack, but in a few moments our fire annihilated the equivalent of a battalion. We still held the trenches at daybreak, and prepared for a further advance when the enemy delivered a furious attack, shouting and throwing grenades.

Braving the Avalanche.
The Frenchmen braved the avalanche. Lieut. Raynal mounted the parapet, and led a magnificent charge. He was soon wounded in the eye and abdomen, but continued to lead the men till he fell exhausted. Lieut. Cazeau followed his example and made a great effort, but fell. The German masses came on until only a sergeant and 2 officers were alive in the trenches and held the enemy at bay, killing large numbers, firing, bayoneting and clubbing, the sergeant working his machine gun, though wounded.

Lieutenant Lelong, although wounded, seeing the position was lost, shouted "This is how a French officer dies," and buried himself on the enemy, killing several before he died, riddled with bullets. Two battalions of the Colonial Infantry next day re-attacked. One battalion captured a trench and the other crossed beyond it and stormed the second line of trenches. It reached the third line, but suffered heavy losses.

Dreadful Carnage.
Heaps of dead Germans, however, showed how bitter the fighting had been. Four German counter-attacks were repulsed by the aid of our artillery, and the front of their trenches was so covered with German corpses that the enemy seemed reluctant to cross the field of dead.

Departure of Germans.
Between 90 and 100 German disabled prisoners left Folkestone on Feb. 16 on the Dutch steamer *Meekleberg* for Flushing, where

striking the men and threatening them with revolvers.

Another French company then attacked, and were joined by the marines, who had been working in the trenches. These charged with pick-axes, doing great execution therewith. The enemy retired, giving up their attempt to storm the redoubt, which they proceeded to bombard the whole day long with frightful intensity, with heavy calibre shells. These claimed many victims, but every Frenchman vowed to die rather than retire. The bombardment ceased at nightfall, and the French retained the redoubt. The troops of the line were relieved by colonials.

MAIMED AND BLIND.

Home-coming of Wounded
British Prisoners.

Flushing, Feb. 6.
The special train with the British wounded from Germany, who are being exchanged for disabled Germans, arrived here at 11.15 this morning. The wounded are being conveyed to sheds near the station, and to-night will go on board the steamer which will leave for Folkestone at eight o'clock to-morrow morning. A second train with wounded from Maastricht is expected at any moment.—Reuter.

Amsterdam, Feb. 16.
The *Telegraaf*, correspondent at Orléans, states that the train with British wounded arrived during the night. It conveyed four officers and 93 men, mostly maimed or blind.

The names of the wounded officers are Lieut. M. V. Hay and Lieut. R. D. Robertson, of the Gordon Highlanders; Major O. W. Davy, Royal Engineers, and Captain Marston.

Members of the Red Cross section offered refreshments. The wounded said they were tired, but were feeling well. The train was taken over by the Dutch Medical Service, but the German ambulance staff remained in the train.

All the wounded were young men, some blind in one or both eyes, some with one or both legs or arms gone, or in some other way maimed for life. They were all in good spirits and rejoicing at the prospect of arriving home soon.

Many of the Germans, who were attended by Red Cross nurses and doctors, spoke highly of the kind treatment they had received in England.

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AN ACKNOWLEDGED NEED.

The official Mandates which are from time to time issued by President Yuan Shih-kai contain a deal of wisdom compressed within small space; moreover, they usually abound with telling epigrams. Such a one has recently been promulgated dealing with the need for the employment, in China's Government service, of men of probity and integrity. It leads off with the observation that "the way to efficient administration of a nation is to place only capable men in official posts, and the most valuable form of loyalty in officials is to recommend worthy men to the Government." Another pointed observation is that "when base and incompetent persons scramble for office, men of character turn away in dismay."

There is much more of this type of characteristic comment in the Mandate, and occasion is taken in it to observe that the deplorable state of affairs during the last years of the Ching and Ming Dynasties should be taken as a warning. It is evident, however, that the President is satisfied—as certainly the disinterested onlooker is—that China is as yet a long way off that happy state when only men of ability and uprightness hold offices. For he advances the excuse that the Republic has been kept so busy with the urgent work of reconstruction that there has been no time in which to enforce a thorough cleansing in the official realm." He says, in so many words, that it is the rule rather than the exception that when a new official is appointed he is deluged with reminders of friendship from acquaintances who wish to be "in the swim." On this point he remarks that "it is inconceivable that official ranks and posts, which should properly be held in reverence and awe as if they belong to Heaven, should be sported and utilised for the purpose of gratifying the desires of friends and acquaintances." And he goes on to state that if private and selfish considerations are allowed to operate in the making of appointments, and if the maximum of competence is overlooked, those responsible should "sweat for shame." The Mandate, of course, winds up with the injunction that only competent men are hereafter to be appointed, and that severe punishment will be meted out to any who fail to temptation.

All these pious expressions are very nice, and doubtless they are well-meant. But the fact cannot be escaped that the very evils against which the President gards—the giving and taking of bribes, the asking of favours for friends or relatives, the abuse of authority for one's self or friends, the universal application of "squeeze"—satiate and permeate Chinese officialdom, and will probably continue to do so in spite of denunciation from high quarters. Before that is changed, a new nation will have to be born—and it certainly was not born when the Manchus were overthrown and so-called Republicanism was adopted.

An Explorer's Estate.

From a paragraph which we published on Saturday it may be noticed that the late Mr. Archibald Colquhoun, whose death Reuter reported some couple of months ago, left unsettled estate to the extent of eighteen hundred pounds. It is when one reads news such as this that one feels that, somehow or other, the world's money does not by any means get into the right hands. Here was a man who had done valuable exploration work in China, Siberia, Central America and South Africa, and whose writings, both in book form, had contributed enormously to the general stock of geographical information—and those who survive him benefit to a less extent monetarily than as if they had been heirs to the average small grocer in a country town at home. Practical people will urge that this was the explorer's own fault; he should have stayed at home like a respectable being, and not gone gallivanting over the face of the earth; or, if he needs must wander, he should have gone somewhere where he could have "struck oil." We know those practical people quite well; and we deplore the fact that they seem unaware that the man who carries his life in his hands through unknown or little-known regions, and who helps to establish new routes or markets for general trade, is deserving of some more substantial reward than the public's thanks and a few medals conferred by learned societies.

Obituary.

Last week Reuter wired to Singapore, although, for some reason, not to Hongkong, news of the death of (a). Mrs. Augustine Birrell, (b), the Rev. Thomas Skelton, Canon of Southwell, and (c), Mr. Thomas Alexander Browne ("Rolf Boldrewood"), the popular novelist. Everyone will sympathise with Mr. Birrell in his loss, for the Chief Secretary for Ireland has made himself universally popular, political creed notwithstanding. In fact one never thinks of him as a politician; he is in the Cabinet but not of it, and the generations to come, who will remember him as one of the most charming of the nineteenth century essayists and biographers, will probably never know that he had any connection with politics at all. Canon Skelton, who died in his eighty-second year, was better known to our fathers' generation than to our own. After the murder of the Mutiny, he was sent by the S.P.G. to restore the mission at Delhi, and his work seems to have been thorough and lasting. Later he became Principal of Bishop's College, Calcutta, and, on his return to England, was made a lecture at St. Augustine's Theological College, Canterbury.

"Rolf Boldrewood."

We, and doubtless most of our readers, were under the impression that "Rolf Boldrewood" was an Australian by birth, but, according to "Who's Who," he was born in London. However, he received his education at Sydney College and was, practically all his life, identified with Australian affairs. In 1870 he was appointed police magistrate and Warden of Goldfields for New South Wales, which appointment he held for twenty-five years. One of the most interesting facts about him was that he did not take to writing—or rather to publishing, and the two are not necessarily the same thing—until he was sixty-two years of age, when he issued his widely-read "Robbery Under Arms."

This is surely something like a record, though we believe that Trollope's mother (Frances Eleanor) was well on towards sixty before her son's success as a novelist encouraged her to take to the craft. "Rolf Boldrewood" wrote many other books; in fact he was publishing up till at least 1906, when he was eighty years of age; but, in point of popularity, his first work was his best.

Institution of Electrical Engineers.

A general meeting of the Hongkong Local Centre of the Institution of Electrical Engineers will be held at the University on Tuesday, March 23rd, at 5.30 p.m., when Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, M. Sc., will read a paper entitled "Electric Generating Stations in China."

DAY BY DAY.

CHEERFULNESS OUGHT TO BE THE VITALICM VITAL OF THEIR LIFE TO THE OLD AGE WITHOUT CHEERFULNESS IS A LAPLAND WINTER WITHOUT SUN; AND THIS SPIRIT OF CHEERFULNESS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED IN OUR YOUTH. IF WE WOULD WISH TO HAVE THE BENEFIT OF IT IN OUR OLD AGE TIME WILL MAKE A GENEROUS WINE MELLOW, BUT IT WILL TURN THAT WHICH IS EARLY ON THE FRET TO VINEGAR—Colton.

The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 68° clear.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 62° clear.

Count the Columns.

On Saturday the Telegraph published 3/4 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 35 published.

The Mails.

English Mail—Arrived per ss. Yaska Maru to-day.

Siberian Mail—Due per ss. Aki Maru to-morrow at 11 a.m.

Up to the Minute—Share Market News.

Closing prices:

Douglas.—\$32½, buyers.

Luzon.—\$28, buyers.

Rauba.—\$44, buyers.

Kowloon Lands.—\$42, sales.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 9.13-16d.

Fell off the Car.

A woman who fell from a tramcar has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to her head.

College Sports.

The St. Stephen's College annual athletic sports are to be held on the Racecourse on Friday next, commencing at 1.30 p.m. The prizes will be distributed at 5.30 p.m.

Diphtheria.

The only cases of communicable disease notified last week were seven occurrences of diphtheria—four British, and one each American, Eurasian and Chinese. One case ended fatally.

Jumped Overboard.

A case of alleged suicide is reported by the Captain of the s.s. Kinshau. He states that a woman who occupied a cabin jumped overboard on Saturday and was drowned.

Nets Stolen.

A fisherman residing at Sai Chau reports the loss of twenty fishing nets from the fishing bed close by. Altogether 72 fathoms of netting, 2 feet wide, have disappeared, the value being \$70.

Whist Drive.

Members of the Wigwam Lawn Tennis Club are arranging a whist drive, to be held at the Club pavilion on Saturday, April 10, when it is hoped to present the prizes won in the tennis tournament, now nearly completed. Entries for the whist drive will close on April 9.

III-Health.

We learn that Mrs. Jenkins, the wife of Mr. F. C. Jenkins, the well-known Hongkong barrister, has again unfortunately broken down in health, and will have to spend the summer in Japan. A speedy return to health is the wish of those people who have had the pleasure of her charming acquaintance.

Bravo, Special Constable!

A Chinese special constable on Saturday noticed a coolie carrying various articles. He approached the man, who ran away, but the special constable gave chase and succeeded in getting him to the Central Station. The man was brought before Mr. Wood to day and charged with the theft of the clothing, a sentence of a month's hard labour being passed.

To Talk from Coast to Coast.

Mr. Thomas A. Watson, an associate of Mr. Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, who heard the first word spoken over a wire, recently spoke from San Francisco to New York at a celebration of the completion of a trans-continental telephone service. The original experiments were made in Boston in 1876. Mr. Watson was on one floor of a building and the inventor on another. Mr. Bell spoke the first words over the wire. He said: "Mr. Watson, come here, I want you."

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

THE DARDANELLES LOSSES.

The Prussian Invasion—German Bluff.

The loss of one French and two British battleships in the Dardanelles is a heavy blow to the Allies. But it is by no manner of means surprising—the surprise, indeed, if there be any, is that operations should have continued so long as they did without any mishap of the kind.

The forcing of these Straits, literally town with mines and bristling with fortifications, was in itself a wonderful piece of work. It must have been very carefully and systematically carried out, too, for a Fleet of over fifty warships to have gained safe entrance. And the bombardment of the forts has been, and is still being, proceeded with in a manner which will win lasting fame for the Anglo-French squadron to which the task has been entrusted.

Sympathy for France.

Happily, the Allies are well able to bear the loss of the ships, the more so since the blow has not fallen in the main theatre of war and can have no possible effect so far as eventual victory is concerned. Ships are of far less value than men; hence it is comforting to know that the crews of the British battleships were practically all saved. For the same reason, however, the sympathy of all the Allies will at this time go out to France in the loss of the gallant sailors of the Bouvet, who, just before they met their death, had taken a prominent part in the engagement with the enemy's forces and, with other ships of the French Navy, had done brilliant work. It must be some consolation to those who mourn the sacrifice of valuable lives to know that the last work of the ship and men was of a character to call forth the loudest praise.

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Weak Divisions.

Russian troops have got a footing on the Prussian coast by the occupation of Memel, a fortified seaport lying at the northern extremity of the Kurisches Haff at its opening into the Baltic. Two days ago the Germans admitted that the territory north of the port had been invaded by the Russians, but it was then declared that steps were being taken to expel these bands, which can only be described as incendiaries. The expulsion measures do not seem to have met with any satisfactory results, though.

In admitting that the enemy have succeeded in occupying the place, the Germans speak of the invaders as "weak Russian divisions." Yet in the same message it is recorded that they force their way into the port. It certainly does not say much for the fortifications if "weak divisions" are able to force an entry.

All this talk of "incendiaries" and "weak divisions" is part and parcel of the game of blustering the German public. But it cannot go on for ever.

The bitter truth will leak out in the end. And Berlin's time is coming too.

WELLS AND SEWERS.

Proposed Investigation by Sanitary Committee.

At to-morrow's meeting of the Sanitary Board, Mr. P. W. Goldring, purveyor to notice, will move:

(i) That a sub-committee of the Board be appointed to consider the question of the down pipes, side channels, private wells, drains, sewers and open spaces in the Tin Shui Tsui District.

(ii) That such committee do consist of the Head of the Sanitary Department, the Director of Public Works, the Assistant Medical Officer of Health for the time being, and two other non-official members of the Board to be selected by the members and

(iii) That such committee do make their first report within one month from the date of their appointment.

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

The Club and R.G.A. Divide Points.

There was a good attendance at the Valley on Saturday to witness the above-named match. It was soon to be seen that the Club team was the superior one and that the R.G.A. play was very faulty, particularly in their shooting, although they did manage to prevent a defeat. It was not until some time before the interval that a goal was scored, although the spectators were treated to a nice exhibition by Ted, who unfortunately found himself in difficulties when close in, frustrating the capping finish to his effort. But his work paved the way for what followed. Stalker, one who can always be relied upon for doing something above the ordinary in a match, gat the ball and made no mistake with regard to his intentions and execution, as right into the net it went and gave the Club the lead by the only score before half time.

In the second half, the R.G.A. managed to improve the complexion of their play, and it was patent that an effort to retrieve was to be made. Owing to a blunder by Barlow, very soon after the resumption, the equaliser appeared as though it would come in time to give the soldiers the opportunity to score the leading one before the game closed. "It must be said for Barlow that he brilliantly recovered the ball and prevented the other side from making any use of his error. Stalker, Pennell and Robinson tried conciliations with the soldiers' custodians, but they never got any further than an effort. It was at a juncture when the Club looked all over the winners that Swan was responsible for some football acrobatics, and, after some species of Maskelyne and Cook spook, shot, bringing the ball off the post on to the goalkeeper's hand, and then into the net. Thus ended the game, each side having a goal to its credit when the whistle sounded time.

CRICKET.

Kowloon's Fine Victory. Kowloon Cricket Club in their away match with the Civil Service on Saturday secured a great victory, due to the fine bowling of Lieut. Moberley and Kay and the magnificent innings of Major Robertson. The first-named took five wickets for thirteen runs, while Kay had an average of three for 23. Major Robertson was too good for any of the Civil Service bowlers, and after knocking up fourteen more than the round century he retired. Kowloon won with a total more than five times as large as their opponents. Scores:

Civil Service.

R. C. Witchell, run out ... 31

P. T. Lambie, b Moberley ... 0

E. W. Dawson, b Moberley ... 0

W. Hill, b Moberley ... 0

C. J. Tacchi, b Kay ... 0

R. E. O. Bird, b Evans, b Kay 0

C. Sars, b Moberley ... 0

W. H. Edmonds, b Moberley 1

W. Barnes, run out ... 1

F. E. Hall, b Kay ... 0

W. Bradbury, not out ... 1

Extras ... 4

Total ... 41

Bowling.

O. M. R. W.

Moberley ... 6 0 13 5

Kay ... 5 4 0 23 3

Kowloon C. C.

B. D. Evans, b Witchell ... 27

F. J. de Rome, b Witchell ... 13

Major Robertson, retired ... 114

A. B. F. Raven, b Hill, b Edwards ... 0

L. J. Blackburn, b Witchell ... 0

Dr. Forsyth, b Witchell ... 0

L. Moberley, b Hill ... 0

W. Kay, b Tacchi, b Bird ... 0

Lawrence, not out ... 0

Extras ... 10

Total ... 219

Bowling.

O. M. R. W.

R. E. O. Bird ... 10 0 0 0 8 1

Witchell ... 12 1 0 80 4

Edmonds ... 2 0 13 1

Lambie ... 2 0 18 0

Dawson ... 2 0 23 0

Sars ... 2 0 24 0

Hill ... 2 0 3 1

Kowloon v The University.

Kowloon's second string were

at home to the University on

Saturday, a most interesting match

resulting in a win for the visitors

WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 1.)

The Sunken Battleships.

[The Invincible had a displacement of 15,000 tons and was completed in 1904. Her armament was four 12-in. and 12 6-in.; speed, 18 knots.

The Ocean, 12,950 tons, was completed in 1902. Her armament was four 12-in. and 12 6-in.; speed, 18.2 knots.

The Bouvet, 12,000 tons, was completed in 1898. Her armament was two 12-in., two 10.8-in. and eight 5.5-in.; speed, 18.1 knots.

German Auxiliary Cruiser Sunk.

March 20, 5.15 a.m.

A New York despatch from Valparaiso states that the armed merchantman Orava fought and sank the German armed liner Navarra in November off the River Plate, and rescued the crew.

[The Orava, built in 1911, for the Orient Steam Navigation Company, is of 12,027 tons gross, with a speed of 18 knots.

The Navarra, 5,770 tons, was built in 1905 for the Hamburg-Amerika Line.]

The Karlsruhe Sunk.

March 20, 3.40 a.m.

The Admiralty announces that it has reason to believe that the German cruiser Karlsruhe was sunk of the West Indies in November

Constantinople in a Panic.

March 20, 3.40 a.m.

An official Petrograd communiqué says that the approach of the Russian Squadron in the Northern Bosphorus has created a panic in Constantinople.

The Russian Advance.

March 20, 3.40 a.m.

A Petrograd official communiqué says: On the left bank of the River Niemen the Russians have captured Vesyu. Cavalry are pursuing the Germans, who are retiring to Sevastopol.

Fighting for villages and isolated heights continues in the directions of Prasnyez and Ostrolenka.

Germans Sustain Heavy Losses.

March 20, 12.55 a.m.

A Paris evening communiqué reports that it is quiet on most of the front.

There was an artillery duel in the valley of the Aisne. A violent German attack on our positions on the ridge north-east of Mesnil was repulsed with heavy loss.

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Mrs. Griffin ... 97 plus 2-98

Mr. Griffin ... 95

Total ... 184

Nos. 3, 6, 9 and 14—Pools.

No. 3—25 yards: Mrs. Danby

(2), Mrs. Greaves; 1st Day—Miss

Hoskyn, Mrs. Ralphs.

No. 6—50 yards: Miss Hoskyn

(2), Mrs. Ralphs (2); 2nd Day—

Mrs. Murray Scott (2), Mrs.

Forsyth, Mrs. Griffin.

No. 9—75 yards: Mrs. Griffin

(2), Mrs. Danby, Mrs. Scott Har-

ston; 3rd Day—Miss Loureiro,

Mrs. Marry Scott.

No. 14—25 yards: 4th Day—

Mrs. Griffin (4), Mrs. Ralphs (4),

Mrs. Danby (3), Mr. Danby (2),

Dr. Hoskyn (2), Miss Loureiro,

Mrs. Wakeman, Miss Wilkinson.

Challenge Cups Won During

1914-5.

The "Jordan" Cup for Rapid

Fire won by....Mrs. Danby

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A Class ... Mrs. Danby

B Class ... Mrs. Greaves

Roberts Medal (presented by the

S.M.R.C.)Mrs. Danby

Express Medal (presented by the

S.M.R.C.)Miss Loureiro

Daily Telegraph Certificate (pre-

sented by the S.M.R.C.)

Mrs. Danby

Daily Mail Certificate (presented

by the S.M.R.C.) Miss

Hoskyns

Gold Medal for Highest Possible

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Mrs. Danby, whose total was

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H. K. C. C. v. Craigengower.

These teams met on the club

ground on Saturday, the result of

a low-scoring match being a win

for the home side by 76 runs.

The scores were:—

Club.

C. A. Hooper, b Braga ... 93

E. J. R. Mitchell, b Carvalho ... 25

S. S. Moore, b Carvalho ... 25

H. E. Muriel, b Carvalho ... 20

A. L. Gage, b Carvalho ... 8

R. N. Anderson, b Sutherland ... 23

R. A. Kennedy, b Sutherland ... 4

T. E. Pearce, b Braga, b Braga 22

R. Hancock, b Carvalho, b

Sutherland ... 11

P. Jacke, b Braga ... 0

M. M. Mass, not out ... 0

Extras ... 8

Total ... 176

Bowling.

O. M. R. W.

R. A. Carvalho 11 0 47 4

R. Sutherland ... 11 0 65 3

R. Pestonji ... 5 1 24 0

J. V. Braga ... 6 3 1 32 3

Craigengower.

J. V. Braga, b Pearce ... 0

R. Bass, Muriel, b Pearce ... 24

H. A. Carvalho, b Anderson ... 0

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MANILA	Loongsang	Sat, 27th Mar. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Kwongsang	Sun, 28th Mar. at d'light
S'PORE, P'ang & Calcutta	Kutsang*	Thur, 1st Apr. at 3 p.m.
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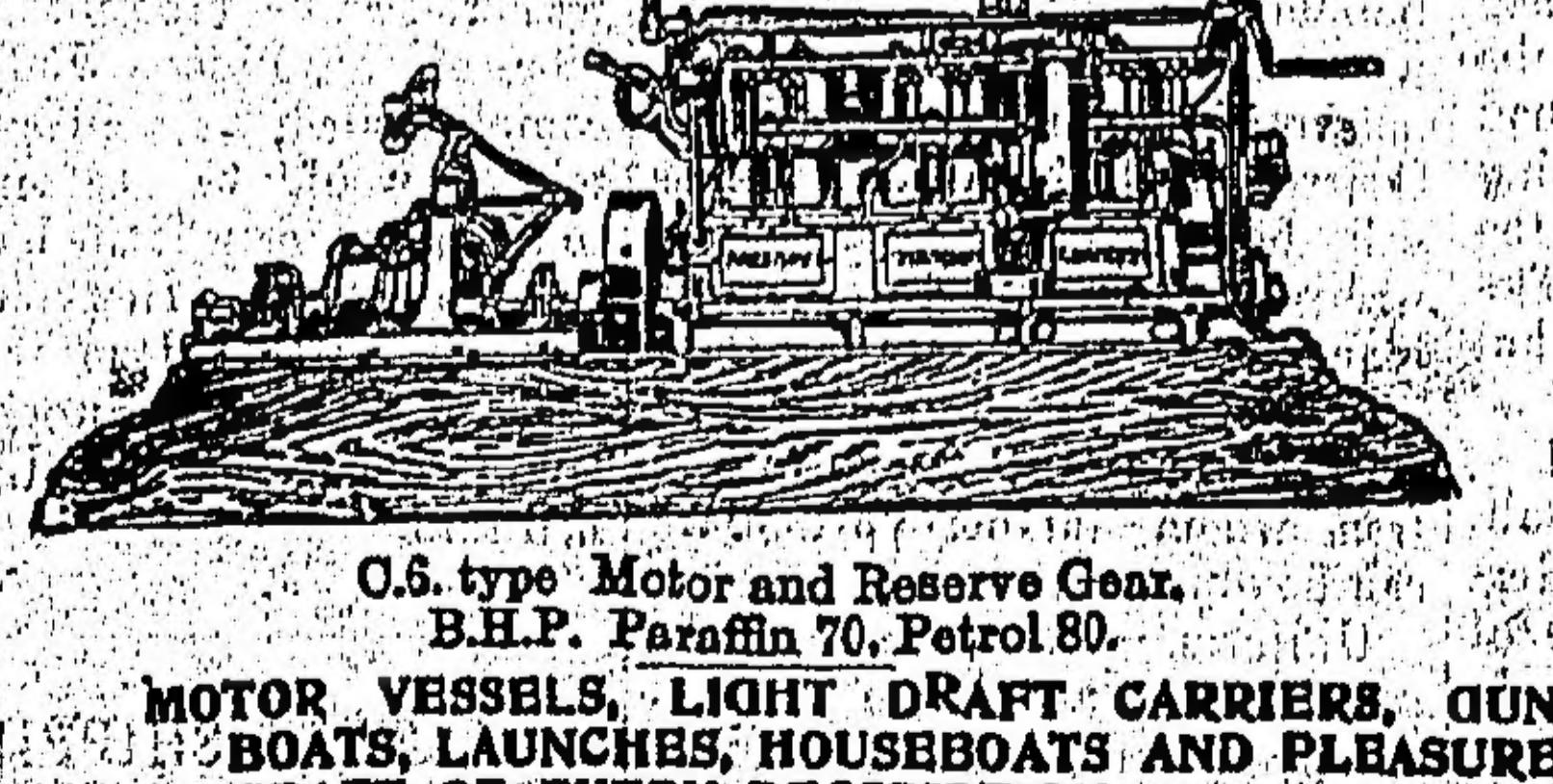
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London	Car'shire	J. M. Co.	11, Apr.

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Seattle via Nagasaki etc.	Minnesota	N. Y. K.	27, Mar.
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San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	Canada M.	O. S. K.	30, Mar.
Via, B.C., T'na via M'la & Japan &c.	Manchuria	P. M. Co.	5, Apr.
San F'co via S'hei & Japan &c.	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	27, Apr.
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	Mongolia	P. M. Co.	4, May
Ports via Japan	Seiyo M.	T. K. K.	11, May.
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c. Siberia	Siberia	P. M. Co.	18, May

AUSTRALIA.

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Shanghai	Kenchow	B. & S.	23, Mar.
Hoihow & Pakhoi	Wenhow	B. & S.	24, Mar.
Shanghai	Oriental	P. & G.	25, Mar.
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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. ss. MONGOLIA arrived at San Francisco on March 16.

The P. M. ss. MANCHURIA sailed from Yokohama on Friday, March 19, via

Hongkong to San Francisco. The mails have

been transferred to the a.s. TAMBA M.

of the N.Y.K. Line, which is scheduled to

arrive Hongkong on the 28th inst.

The P. M. ss. CHINA* sailed from

Manila on Sunday morning and is due to

arrive at Hongkong on Tuesday morning,

the 13th inst., at daylight.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. K. ss. TENYO MARU will

next leave for San Francisco, via usual

ports, on Tuesday, 15th April, at noon.

The Barber Line ss. BOLTON CASTLE

for Hongkong via Panama Canal left

New York on the 25th January and is

therefore due to arrive here about the

beginning of April.

The T. K. K. ss. SHINYO MARU will

next leave Hongkong for San Francisco,

via usual ports, on Tuesday 11th May, at

noon.

The ss. SANGOLA sailed from Cal-

cutta on the 3rd inst. and may be expected

here or about the 25th inst.

The E. & A. ss. EMPIRE left Sydney

for this port via Queensland Ports and

Manila on 6th inst. and may be expected

to arrive here on or about 28th inst.

The Ben Line ss. BENVOLICH from

THE HONG KONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1915.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIANS CONTINUE THE OFFENSIVE.

OVER TWO THOUSAND PRISONERS CAPTURED.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]

March 22, 3.35 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd states that, according to a communiqué, the Russian offensive to the west and on the middle of the Memel continues successfully.

There has been an important success in the Carpathians, the Russians storming the enemy's principal positions at Svidnik and Smolnik, capturing 2,548 prisoners and two guns.

The garrison at Przemysl were driven back to the forts along the whole circumference.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL.

Yesterday's Field Firing.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V. D., state:

Field Firing 21, 3.15.

No. of Men.	No. of Rounds Fired.	Percentages Fired.		
H.K.V.B. detachment..	20	200	59	29.50
Left Half				
Scouts Co. 32	320	89	27.81	
Right Half				
Scouts Co. 34	340	81	24.41	

Leave.—Gunner E.J. Ainslie is granted leave of absence from 1.1.15 to 1.12.15.

Parades.—Parades for Tuesday, 22nd instant.—Units on duty, at Headquarters and Mount Austin Barracks, under Officers on duty, 5.00 p.m., Signalling Section, Musketry Instruction on Kennedy Road Range, Corp. Grimes, R.E., will attend. 5.15 p.m., No. 1 Section Artillery and Left Section M.G. Co., 10 pdr. drill at Headquarters, One Machine Gun Section of Scouts Coy, M.G. Drill at Headquarters, Remainer, Rifle Exercises on Cricket Ground under Coy. Officers, Recruits under Sgt. Bullock.

Detail.—Officers on duty, Capt. Wood, Lieut. Kenneth and Lieut. Danby, Orderly Officer, Lieut. Kenneth, Orderly Sergeant, Corp. Bolton, Medical Orderly, Private Thomson. To furnish Guard:—At Volunteer Headquarters: 7 p.m. to-day to 7 p.m. to-morrow, Civil Service Company. 7 p.m. to-morrow to 7 a.m. 24th inst., Right Section M.G. Co. 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. 24th inst., No. 2 Section Artillery Battery. 7 p.m. 24th to 7 a.m. 25th inst., Centre Section M.G. Co. 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. 25th inst., Right Section M.G. Co. At Mount Austin Barracks: 10.15 p.m. to-day to 7 a.m. to-morrow and 10.15 p.m. to-morrow to 7 a.m. 24th inst., No. 2 Section Artillery Battery.

SKIPPER FINED.

Before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Court, this morning, Lance-Sergt. Thompson charged Lawrence F. McConnell Hussey, master of s.s. Tung-shing, with unlawfully moving his vessel in the Harbour at 4 p.m. on the 19th inst., without the permission of the Examination Officer of the Colony.

Defendant was fined \$10.

ZEPPELIN RAIDS.

Why They Cannot be Successful.

In view of the news received to-day of the failure of the Zeppelin raid on Paris, the following from the *Pall Mall Gazette* is of interest:

Paris, January 12.

The Abbe Moreux, Director of Bourges Observatory, discussing the possibility of a Zeppelin raid on Paris, comes to the conclusion that it could not be successful.

Allowing the Zeppelin a lifting capacity of 50,000 kilos, he says, it cannot carry more than a thousand kilos of explosive—in other words, about twenty bombs—after deducting the weight of crew, petrol, and other indispensable supplies.

Assuming that a Zeppelin would start for Paris from about the distance of Treves, the Abbe Moreux calculates that it would have to carry petrol for twenty-four hours.

A single Zeppelin, even if it reached Paris, would be ineffective. It must be supposed, therefore, that several airships starting from different points, would converge on their goal, but such an attempt would be bound to result in lamentable failure.

The Abbe Moreux admits that it is not inconceivable that a German Zeppelin raid will be attempted on London or Paris, and that a Zeppelin may possibly reach England, but the risk, he says, that the individual Briton would run from one of its bombs would be less than the risks he faces every time he crosses a crowded street.

Without taking into account the formidable dangers from aeroplane and artillery attack, a Zeppelin raid would have small chance of success.—Reuter.

A RECENT FIRE.

Enquiry Held This Afternoon.

This afternoon, at the Police Court, Mr. J. R. Wood held an enquiry into the circumstances surrounding the fire which occurred on February 19 in the early hours of the morning at No. 180, Des Voeux Road.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, of Messrs. Deacon, Locker, Deacon and Hartson, appeared for the Insurance Company concerned, and Mr. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, for the owners of the property.

One of the latter, the accountant and a partner in the firm, informed his Worship that he was roused by one of his foks at 2.20 a.m., when he found the place was well alight. He rushed out into the street and raised the alarm. He did not know what was the cause of the fire.

In answer to Mr. Shenton, witness said that he had made out the claim himself from the books of the company, all of which were recovered by the foki who raised the alarm, with the exception of the rough cashbook.

The enquiry was proceeding as we went to press.

SPECIAL POLICE RESERVE.

Urgent Notice.

All members of the first British Company are warned to return their Winchesters and ammunition to store on Wednesday next, the 24th, at 5.30 p.m. sharp, and to draw M.E. 303 carbines and ammunition in place thereof.

Those members who have already drawn M.E. carbines will return them to store on the 24th instant for cleaning, and will in the meantime draw Winchesters.

F. C. JENKIN,
A.S.P. (Reserve).

DYNAMITE CASE.

100lbs. of Explosive on a Boat.

At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese was charged, before Mr. Hazeland, with unlawfully being in possession of 100 lbs. of dynamite.

Mr. P. W. Goldring was for the defence. He stated that the police had detained the boat, and hence there was nowhere for the other occupants to live. He wanted the boat to be released.

His Worship remarked that that would have to be arranged with the Police.

Detective Sergeant Piccott stated that the defendant said he was not the owner of the boat, and if he was discharged and the Police had not got the boat, they would not be able to get the owner. The explosive was found on board a boat at Shau-ki-wan.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

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GORY STORIES.

The "Straits Times" and Manila Journalism.

Says the *Straits Times*, as was generally anticipated, the rigorous censorship of news leaving Singapore during the *embrace* here had its inevitable sequel in the circulation of all sorts of weird stories throughout other parts of the East. But for the record elevation in world accounts the Manila newspapers must be accorded the palm.

From the stories of "eye-witnesses" the American reporters have splashed columns of their papers with blood and carnage, "pitched battles in the streets" in which no less than 300 mutineers (according to one account) were killed; residents massacred; wholesale and houses pillaged of every stick; homicidal encounters between the loyal portion of the infantry and their refractory comrades; and other inventions too numerous to mention above a whisper. In one stirring report of a battle royal — also by an "eye-witness"—the mutineers were up in the trees as thick as rambutans and from there shot down the attacking Europeans in heaps, until a maxim was turned on them and brought them down "like coconuts!" One wonders how our Manila friends will deal with the comparatively pale and peaty truth when they get it.

London, March 10.

A German submarine approached a French trawler off Beachy Head and made signs to the crew to tranship to a British trawler in the vicinity. Without giving them time to disembark, they opened fire and damaged one of the trawler's boats. The crew had the greatest difficulty in escaping in the other and landed in the morning at Newhaven. The trawler was last seen afloat, but in a sinking condition.

London, March 11.

Paris.—A great French submarine expert affirms that Germany has a hopeless shortage of submarines, making a blockade fiasco inevitable.

London, March 11.

The *Daily Mail's* Copenhagen correspondent states it is rumoured in German naval circles that eleven submarines have been lost since February 18. Four are officially admitted as lost, but nothing

TELEGRAPHIC CODES.

A Government Notification.

At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese was charged, before Mr. Hazeland, with unlawfully being in possession of 100 lbs. of dynamite.

It is hereby notified that from and after the 22nd March, 1915, the following seven codes:—

A.B.C. 5th Edition,

Lieber's Standard Telegraphic Code,

Scott's Code 10th Edition,

Western Union Telegraphic Code (Universal Edition),

Meyer's Atlantic Cotton Code,

Bentley's Complete Phrase Book (not including the Separate Mining and Oil Supplements), and

Broomhall's Imperial Combination Code (not including the Special Rubber Edition),

may be used between Hongkong on one side and Neutral Territory on the extra-European telegraph system, or British or Allied Territory wherever situated, on the other.

The use of codes to or from

Neutral Territory on the European telegraph system is not permitted.

Notification No. 8 of January 12th, 1915, is hereby cancelled.

CHAUFFEUR CHARGED.

Before the Court for Manslaughter.

At the Police Court, before Mr. Hazeland, this morning, a chauffeur, named Ah Hing, of the Dragon Cycle Co., was charged with manslaughter.

Inspector Gordon, who was in charge of the case, asked for a remand, and his Worship fixed the case for hearing on Saturday at 10.30 a.m.

The evidence is to the effect that the defendant was driving a party of American sailors from Wan-chai towards the City on Sunday, and when on Praya East he knocked down a woman, who died as she was being taken to the Hospital.

ON PENSION.

Miss Doberck, B. A. (Copenhagen), who has since 1892 been Assistant Meteorologist at the Royal Observatory, Hongkong, and who has at various times acted as First Assistant, leaves for Home on pension on Thursday next.

She is travelling by the s.s. *Luchow* as far as Shanghai, and will take the Siberian route Home.

Ships' captains on the China coast have much to be grateful for to Miss Doberck for the advice she has given them concerning the whereabouts and tracks of typhoons, and during the time she has "logged" for the Government she has been very popular with the shipping fraternity. The good wishes of her friends will go with her in her retirement.

VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Orders issued on Saturday by Major Wakeman; H. K. V. R., state:

Parades.—A. B. and C. Companies will parade on the Cricket Ground at 5.15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 23rd. Dress drill order. (This parade will be optional for members who have been on duty with the main and Peak guards during the past week.)

A. B. and C. Companies will parade on the Cricket ground at 5.15 p.m. on Friday, March 26th. Dress drill order. Recruits will parade on the Cricket ground at 5.15 p.m. on March 22nd, 24th and 25th.

Signalmen will parade at Murray Battery at 5.15 p.m. on Monday, March 22nd (Uniform optional).

Assembly.—Members are requested to call and inspect the maps posted on the Notice Board outside Major Wakeman's Office and to sign their names upon the sheet corresponding to the District in which they reside. All members, whether exempt from parades or not, should do this as early as possible.

"D" Company.—His Excellency the Governor has sanctioned the promotion of an additional Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve intended for members who are not qualified to comply with the present requirements of the H. K. V. R.

The duties required of members of this new Company will be a preliminary training in drill but will consist chiefly of training in musketry and firing a Musketry Course. Uniform and arms will be provided. Gentlemen wishing to join this new Co. are requested to apply, stating their qualifications, either to the Officer Commanding or to the Adjutant, from whom further particulars can be obtained.

Uniform.—The topees is to be worn upon all uniform parades except guard duties. Further orders will be issued when all members have been supplied with caps.

Promotion.—Pte. J. C. Logan to be Lt. Cpl. vice Lt. Cpl. J. F. Wright reverted.

Postings.—Lt. Cpl. J. C. Logan to Oo. B. Section 2; Pte. A. G. Fletcher to Oo. B. Section 3.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Two Chinese Charged with Robbery and Stabbing.

This morning, in the Supreme Court, Mr. Justice Gomperz, sitting in Criminal Sessions, had before him the case in which two Chinese were charged with committing an armed robbery at Wan-chai on January 23. The first was also charged with wounding a Japanese, one of three persons who were injured in the affair.

The prisoners pleaded not guilty.

The jury was composed as follows:—Messrs. H. E. Ehrenfeld, E. M. Xavier, K. F. Lay, M. A. dos Santos Gomez, J. J. Re-medios, J. Tappin, and J. J. Stubbing.

The Hon. Attorney General, Mr. J. H. Kemp, prosecuted, the prisoners being undefended.

The Attorney General said that the prisoners were charged with armed robbery at a house on the Praya East. They were also charged with wounding two women in the house, and the first was charged, in addition, with wounding a Japanese, who tried to arrest him. On the evening of the day in question at about 7 o'clock a knock was heard at the door of the second floor and, by pretending that one of them was the owner of the house and was calling about the rent, a number of men, among whom were the prisoners, gained admission to the flat. The mistress of the house was seized and, when she called out, was cut in three places, while the servant who came to her assistance received a stab in the neck.

Hearing the women calling out, some Japanese, who were on the floor above, came down and the men attempted to make off. The Japanese who was injured caught hold of the first prisoner, and together they fell down the stairs. The would-be captor was stabbed in the leg and had to let the first prisoner go.

He, however, soon followed in the chase

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions from L. A. Byworth Esq. to sell by Public Auction on

TUESDAY,
the 23rd March, 1915, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at No. 1 Kennedy Road (King's Gore Gate House).

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture. (Particulars from Catalogue)

Also A Choice Selection of Ferns and Pot Plants.

Terms:—As usual. On view from Monday, the 22nd March.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

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FRIDAY,
the 26th March, 1915, commencing at 5 p.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

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NOTICE.

The Thirty-Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on Wednesday, the 24th March at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 11th to 24th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd. General Agents. Hongkong, 4th March, 1915.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

The Thirty-Third Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on Wednesday the 24th March at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 11th to 24th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd. General Agents. Hongkong, 4th March, 1915.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The Forty-Sixth Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 25th March, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors. C. PEMBERTON, Secretary. Hongkong, 4th March, 1915.

Don't forget after the Show upper, and Light Refreshments ALEXANDRA CAFE Open Till Midnight

ENTERTAINMENTS.

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The Transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to 31st March, 1915, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

GEO. A. CALDWELL,

Secretary.

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.. Prime Cut	21	10		
.. Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	19	10		
.. Roast—Shiu	19	10		
.. Breast—Ngau Lam	17	10		
.. Soup—Tong Yuk	15	10		
.. Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	20	10		
.. do—Sirloin—Ngau Lau	30	10		
.. Sausages—Ngau Cheung	24	10		
Bullock's Brains—No	per set	10		
.. Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each	50		
.. .. corned—Ham Ngau Li	60	100		
.. Head—Ngau Tau .. .. .. ..	..	1.00		
.. Heart—Ngau Sun	lb.	14		
.. Ham, Salt—Ngau Kin .. .. .. ..	..	20		
.. Feet—Ngau Keuk	each	11		
.. Kidneys—Ngau Yiu .. .. .. ..	..	11		
.. Tail—Ngau Mei .. .. .. ..	..	18		
.. Liver—Ngau Kon	lb.	13		
.. Tripes (undressed)—Ngau To .. .. .. ..	..	6		
Calves' Head & Feet—Ngau tsai-tai-ku	set	1.00		
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pei Kwat	lb.	25		
.. Leg—Yeung Pei .. .. .. ..	..	25		
.. Shoulder—Yeung Shau .. .. .. ..	..	24		
.. Saddle .. .. .. ..	..	27		
Pigs' Chitlings—Chu Chong .. .. .. ..	..	27		
.. Brains—Chu No	per set	24		
.. Foot—Chu Keuk	lb.	13		
.. Fry—Chu Chap .. .. .. ..	..	15		
.. Head—Chu Tsui .. .. .. ..	..	16		
.. Heart—Chu Sam	each	11		
.. Kidneys—Chu Yiu .. .. .. ..	..	18		
.. Liver—Chu Kon	lb.	28		
Pork Chop—Chu Pai Kwat .. .. .. ..	..	24		
.. Corned—Ham Chu Yuk .. .. .. ..	..	—	
.. Leg—Chu Pei .. .. .. ..	..	28		
.. Fat or Lard—Chu Yau .. .. .. ..	..	20		
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau Keuk	set	60		
.. Heart—Young Sam	each	8		
.. Kidneys—Young Yiu .. .. .. ..	..	12		
.. Liver—Young Kon	lb.	28		
Sucking Pigs to order—Ochu Tsai .. .. .. ..	..	22		
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngan Yau .. .. .. ..	..	20		
Mutton—Shang Yeung Yau .. .. .. ..	..	26		
Veal—Ngau Tai Yik .. .. .. ..	..	19		
Sausages—Ngau Tsai Cheung .. .. .. ..	..	20		
Lard—Chu Yau .. .. .. ..	..	20		
				POULTRY.

		lb.	cts.	
Chicken—Kai Tsai	35		生口
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai	34		
Ducks—Ap	32		
Doves—Pan Kai	18		
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.. (fresh)	36		
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb.	42		
.. Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	30		
Geese—Ng	24		
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each	28		
.. Hoib—Hoi How Pak Kap .. .. .. ..	..	25		
Snipe—Sha Tsui	each	22		
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	lb.	60		
.. Hen .. .. .. ..	..	45		
Pheasant—Shan Kai .. .. .. ..	..	75		
Quail				

THE WAR.

COUNTRIES ENGAGED.

Germany	Britain.
Austria	Russia.
Turkey	France.
	Belgium.
	Japan.
	Serbia.
	Montenegro.

ARMY TERMS EXPLAINED.
Army corps is a complete army on a small scale in itself. The strength varies from 35,000 to 45,000 men.

Division is a force of infantry, cavalry, and artillery, usually with a strength of from 15,000 to 20,000 men.

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Regiment of infantry is from 2,000 to 4,000 strong. A cavalry regiment is from 500 to 1,000 men strong.

Squadron of cavalry is from 150 to 200 men strong.

Battery of artillery in the British and French armies has 6 guns and about 200 men. In the German Army consists of 4 guns and 150 men. In the Russian Army it consists of 8 guns and 250 men.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS.

June 28—Archduke Francis Ferdinand assassinated.

July 23—Austria sends an ultimatum to Servia.

July 31—Russia orders general mobilisation.

Aug. 1—Germany declares war on Russia, French Cabinet orders general mobilisation.

Aug. 2—German forces enter Luxembourg. Germany demands free passage through Belgium.

Aug. 4—England sends ultimatum, demanding observance of Belgian neutrality. Germany rejects ultimatum. German troops attack Liege.

Aug. 5—England announces a state of war with Germany.

Aug. 7—Germans enter Liege. French invade southern Alsace.

Aug. 8—Italy reaffirms neutrality.

Aug. 16—Austrians enter Servia. Japan sends ultimatum to Germany.

Aug. 17—British expeditionary force completes its landing in France.

Aug. 19—Beginning of battle of Lorraine.

Aug. 20—Germans enter Brussels.

Aug. 23—Germans enter Namur and begin attack on Mons.

Aug. 24—British begin retreat from Mons.

Aug. 25—French evacuate Mulsanne.

Aug. 26—Non-partisan French Cabinet organised. Germans take Longwy.

Aug. 27—Louvain burned by Germans. Japanese blockade Tsingtau.

Aug. 28—Battle of Heligoland.

Sept. 2—German advance reaches Senlis, thirty miles from Paris, and swings eastward. French Government moves to Bordeaux.

Sept. 3—Russians occupy Lemberg.

Sept. 5—Battle of the Marne begins.

Sept. 7—Maubeuge taken by the Germans.

Sept. 12—German retreat halts on the Aisne.

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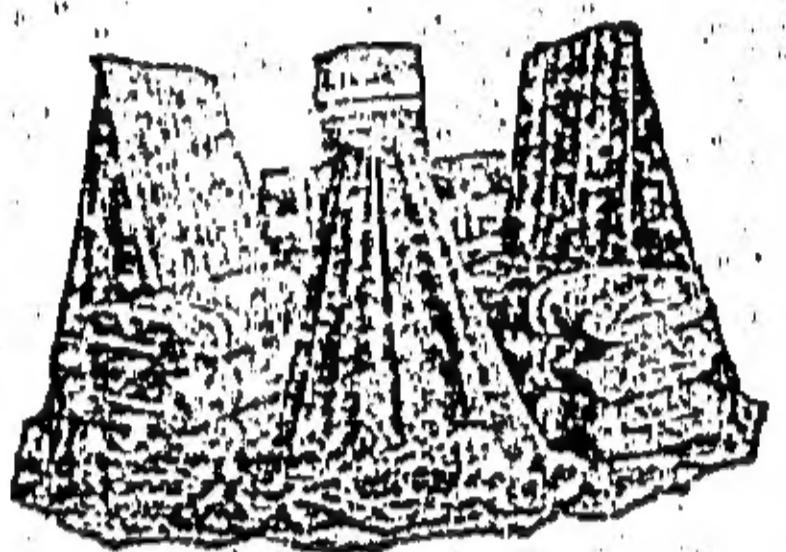


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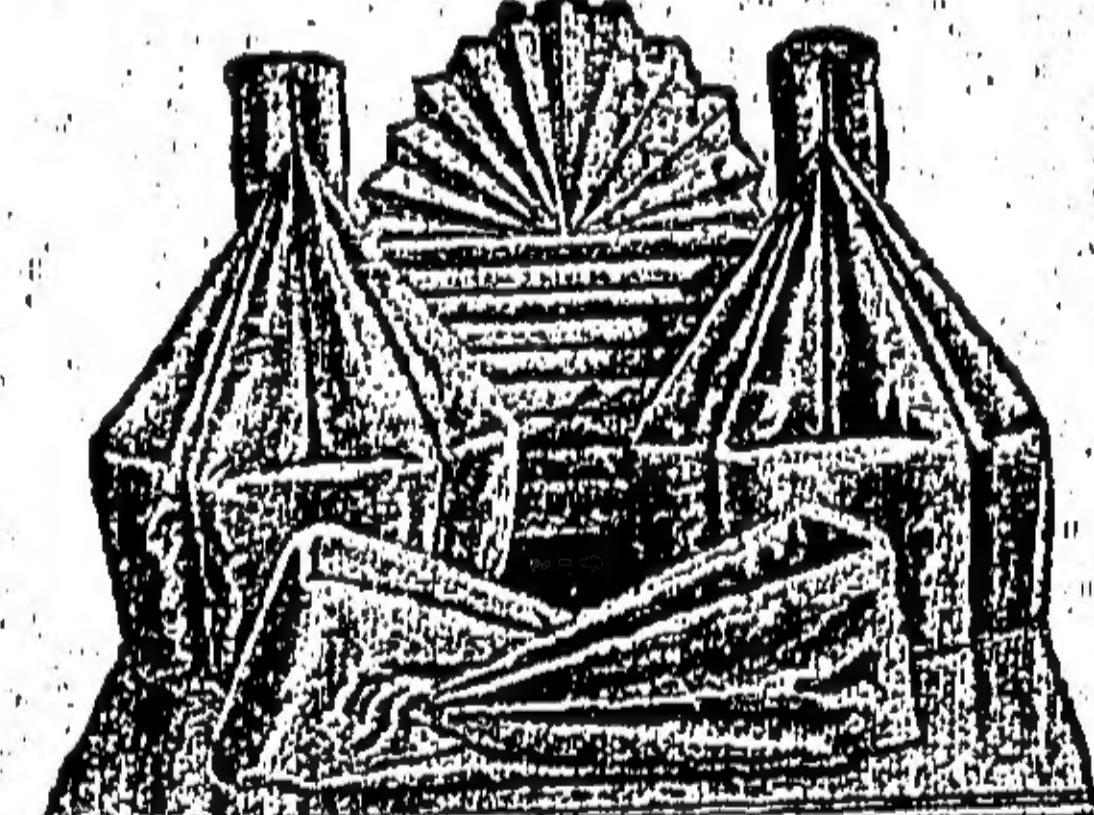
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Oct. 12—A Boer commando in the Cape Province mutinies.

Oct. 13—Belgian Government transferred from Ostend to Havre.

Oct. 14—Allies occupy Ypres. Battle begins on the Vistula.

Oct. 15—Ostend occupied by the Germans.

Oct. 16—British cruiser Hawke sunk by German submarine.

Oct. 24—Ten days' battle before Warsaw ends in German defeat.

Oct. 27—Russians reoccupy Lodz and Radom.

Oct. 29—Turkey begins war on Russia by naval attacks on Odessa and in the Crimea.

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Harrison C A	X
Herbosch H E and	X
Hodges F M	X
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SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

London Rubber Special.
London, March 10.—Meigui
Grove pays an interim dividend
of 2½ per cent., Loba pays 15 per
cent., places to reserve £10,000
and carries forward £10,000.

Tongkai Harbour Tin Dredging.
The report states that the ground
dredged during the year to Sept.
30 was 2,199,408 cubic yards,
producing 1,268 tons of tin oxide,
as against 3,336,180 cubic yards
treated last year, producing 1,336
tons. The average yield this
year was 1,471 lbs. per cubic yard,
as against 90 lb. last year. The
value of tin output not to the
company, exclusive of royalty,
was \$108,052, an average of
295 lbs. 2d. per ton of ore, which
compares with \$118 7½ d. per
ton. The working account shows
a credit of £48,233. The dredg-
ing costs amounted to £52,605,
or 5½ d. per cubic yard (against
3 810, last year), while other
charges amounted to £7,192. The
balance to credit of profit and
loss at S.p.t. 30, 1913, was £73,
470. After providing for pay-
ments made to the Government
of Siem, depreciation of plant,
and all charges incidental to
working the concession and
managing the company, the
profit for the year was \$34,588.
Four dividends, aggregating 35
per cent., or 7½ per share, have
been paid, absorbing \$52,500
and after deducting dividend tax
there remained £4,232.

Penang Chamber of Commerce.
Penang, March 10.—At a special
meeting of the Chamber of Com-
merce, Mr. Mitchell presiding, a
motion by the committee was
adopted widening the basis of
membership. It was agreed also
that members of committees shall
be of British nationality. Rule
3 now reads that merchants, ban-
kers, ship owners' representatives,
insurance and other joint stock
companies, corporations, brokers,
and all persons engaged or in-
terested in commerce in the Set-
tlement, are eligible for mem-
bership. The entrance fee is \$50
with a monthly subscription of
\$8.—Straits Times.

Chinese Experiment in Cotton
Growing.
Mr. Mo Ou-chou, a graduate in
agriculture from an U. S. uni-
versity who returned to China
recently, is a younger brother of
Mr. Mo Hsiang-yao, formerly Chief
of the Woosung and Shanghai
Constabulary. Since he returned
home, Mr. Mo has already suc-
cessfully floated, with the assis-
tance of his brother, a cotton
spinning company called Teh Ta,
which will, it is expected, be able
to start operations some time in
April. Mr. Mo has also decided to
experiment with the cultivation
of cotton on Chinese soil,
using U. S. seeds. He pro-
poses to begin this task on
two plots of land only at first, and
if the result should turn out to be
encouraging, other plots may be
taken in hand. Meantime, he has
secured lands at Yinghsiangkang
for the first plot for cotton planta-
tion experiment, and at Yang-
szechiao in Pouting for the 2nd
plot.—National Review.

Shanghai Cotton Market.
Mr. A. B. Rosenfeld's Cotton
Market Report for the week end-
ing 11th March 1915 is as follows:
—China Cotton.—The Cotton
market during the past week has
shown but little animation aside
of occasional spurts of activity,
with the general tendency
"Steady" by reason of short
commitments from the interior
markets. Local Mills are for the
present abiding their time in
view of the uncertainty previ-
loring in consequence of which they
have adopted the hand-to-mouth
policy, whilst the Farmers on the
other hand find it preferable to
market their Cotton gradually in
order to meet their incidental ex-
penses. This is likely to prevent
any serious decline, as the
Farmers are undoubtedly finan-
cially able to hold, but I think it
will also prevent any advance of
consequence, considering the at-
titude assumed by the Mills.
Under the circumstances, there-
fore, the outlook hinges on the
future probabilities of the politi-
cal situation, and it would be
hazardous on my part to try and
predict the trend of the market
before the actual outcome, fully
warrants me to do so. Tone of the
market, Steady.

STOCK.	To-day's CLOSING PRICES	NUMBER OF SHARES	Par Value	Paid Up	HIGHEST July	LOWEST Oct.	HIGHEST 19th Mar. TO NOW	LOWEST 19th Mar. TO NOW	1914.	1915.	1915.	1915.	LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE
									1914.	1915.	1915.	1915.	
Banks.	\$800 s.	120,000	\$125	all	855 July	700 Oct.	800	800	£2 3/- & 5/- bonus at ex 1/9/14 equal to \$27.27 for ½ year ending 31/12/14				
H'kong & Sh'hai Banking Corp.	£76/-												
Marine Insurances.													
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	360 s.	10,000	\$250	50	350 Dec.	305 Oct.	360	360	Final of \$3 a/c 1912. Interim of \$18 a/c 1913.				
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	175 b.	10,000	£15	£1	145 May	133 Jan.	175	175	Final of 1½ p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1913				
Union Ins. Society of C'ton, Ltd.	845 s.	12,400	\$250	100	847 April	700 Oct.	845	845	Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1912 and Interim of \$30 for 1913				
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	235	12,000	\$100	60	20 April	1924 Jan.	235	235	Final of \$12 mak. \$15 for 1912 & Int. of \$3 for 1913				
Fire Insurances.													
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	143	20,000	\$100	20	160 Ju'y	140 Oct.	143	143	\$10 for 1912				
H'kong Fire Ins. Co. Ltd.	373 b.	8,000	\$250	50	385 Feb.	368 April	373	373	\$27 for 1913				
Shipping.													
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	485 b.	30,000	\$25	all	10 Jan.	51½ Dec.	5	5	\$1 for 1906				
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	324 b.	20,000	\$60	all	36 Mar.	27½ Nov.	32½	32	\$3 for year ending 30/6/14				
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	222 b.	80,000	\$15	all	29½ Jan.	22 Dec.	22	22	Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts for year ending 31/12/14				
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	80 s.	{ 60,000 £5 } b.	all	79	Jan.	50 Sept.	80	80	Final of 3% making 6% on pre- ferred shares & 5% on de- ferred shares for year 1913				
Shell T'port & Trading Co., Ltd.	589 s.	3,797,610 £1	all	106 Feb.	70 Sept.	88/9	88/9	Interim of 1½ a/c 1914, No. 23					
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	36 s.	40,000 \$10	all	49 Mar.	40 Nov.	36	36	\$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14					
Refineries.													
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	110	20,000	\$100	all	96 Jan.	70 Nov.	110	110	\$3 for 1912				
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	528 b.	7,000	\$100	all	31 Jan.	17 Dec.	28	27	\$3 for 1897				
Mining.													
Kaitan Mining Adm'n'tion.	32 s.	1,000,000 £1	all	4½ Feb.	33/6 Dec.	32½	32½	Final of 5% Coupon No. 4 making 10% for year end- ing 30/6/14					
Raub Australian Gold Min- ing Co., Ltd.	343 b.	200,000 £1	all	310 Jan.	190 Nov.	4½	4½	1/2 for 1909					
Tronch Mines Ltd.	31/6	160,000 £1	all	39½ Feb.	19½ Nov.	31/6	31/6	1/2 mak. 7/6 a/c 1913					
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.													
Hongkong & K.W.&G. Co., Ltd.	655 b.	60,000 \$50	all	89	Jan.	73 Nov.	65½	65½	\$3.50 for year 1914				
H'kong & W'pea D Co., Ltd.	57 b.	50,000 \$50	all	77	Jan.	53 Oct.	57	57	\$3 dividend for year 1913				
Sh'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	53 b.	55,700 t. 100	all	60	July	50 Dec.	53	53	Tls. 5 for 1913				
Sh'hai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	92 b.	35,000 t. 100	all	109 Jan.	82½ Dec.	92½	92½	Tls. 5 for 1914					
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.													
Anglo French Lands	94	13,000 t. 100	t. 100	—	—	94	94	94	Tls. 6½ for year ending 29/2/14				
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	118 s.	20,000 \$50	50	128 July	120 Dec.	118	118	118	\$2.50 for half year ending 1/31/2/14				
H'kong Land Investment Co.	110	50,000 \$100	all	117½ July	98 Nov.	110	110	110	\$3 for year ending 31/12/14				
H'p'pore Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	66 b.	150,000 \$10	all	94 Jan.	78 Nov.	61	61	61	45 cents for year 1914				
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	42 f.	6,000 \$50	30	45½ Jan.	44 Feb.	42	41	41	\$3 for 1914				
Shanghai Lands	97 b.	78,000 t. 50	all	98 Dec.	89 Oct.	97	97	97	Final of 6 p.c. making 12 p.c.				
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	688 b.	12,500 \$50	all	73 June	66 Feb.	68½	68½	68½	for 1914				
H'kong Central Estates	95 b.	10,000 \$100	all	—	—	95	95	95	\$2.25 for half year ending 31/12/14				
Cotton Mills.													
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	1351 b.	20,000 t. 50	all	138 July	125 May	135½	135½	135½	Tls. 12 for year ending 31/10/14				
Henglong Cotton Co.	661 b.	125,000 \$10	all	84 Mar.	7 June	6½	6½	6½	50 cents 31/7/08				
Kung Yik	1255 b.	75,000 t. 100	all	142 Jan.	11 Mar.	12.85	12.85	12.85	Tls. 12 for year ending 30/11/14				
Laou Kung Mow	86 b.	8,000 t. 100	all	110 Feb.	70 May	86	86	86	Tls. 12 for 1913				
Shanghai Cottons	87 b.	40,000 t. 50	all	135 Feb.	70 Nov.	87	87	87	Div. Tls. 6. Bonus Tls. 4. Extra Bonus Tls. 1, year end'g 30/6/14				
Miscellaneous.													
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	11 s.	60,000 \$12	all	12 May	10 Dec.	11	11	11	\$1.20 for 1913				
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	32 s.	50,000 \$35	all	4.90 July	4 April	3½	3½	3½	6% for year ending 28/2/06				
Do. (Spec. shares)	b.	50,000 \$1	all	—	—	—	—	—					
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	734 b.	125,000 \$10	all	9 Jan.									

WAR ITEMS.

The Prince of Wales in the East of France.
We read in *Le Temps* of January 22nd:—The Prince of Wales accompanied by Lord Hamilton and a French captain arrived at Belfort on Friday evening. After having inspected the military establishments and the principal monuments, he went to the front in Upper Alsace, in the middle of a terrible storm. The Prince is excessively simple; instead of occupying the lodgings which had been reserved for him, he contented himself with a room on the third floor of a modest hotel. During his journey, the Prince has departed to Nancy where he arrived on Sunday evening. On Monday morning, he visited that part of Lorraine devastated by the Germans, and was particularly impressed by the pitiful sight of *Guebwiller le Martyr*. The Prince and his escort left Nancy on Tuesday morning.

Czar's Effort to Prevent the War.

The shameless duplicity of German methods even in the highest places is illustrated by an official statement issued from the Russian Foreign Office accusing the Germans of deliberately suppressing the Czar's proposal to the Kaiser to submit the Austro-Serbian quarrel to the Hague Conference. The message was dated July 29, and was in English, which was apparently the medium of communication between the two Sovereigns. It read as follows:

"Thanks for your telegram, which is conciliatory, and friendly, wherein the official message presented to-day by your Ambassador to my Minister was conveyed in a very different tone. I beg you to explain this discrepancy. It would be right to give over the Austro-Serbian problem to the Hague Conference. I trust in your wisdom and friendship."

If this had been published in Berlin it would immediately have knocked the bottom out of the dishonest pretence that Germany was attacked by Russia. The German people must learn the truth sooner or later. Then the end of the war will come into sight.

Germany declared war on Russia on August 1.

THE WAR!

(Continued from back of page 8.)
Jan. 26.—Germans lose two battalions at Givency and Guinchy.
Jan. 31.—Germany inaugurates submarine raids on British shipping.

Feb. 3.—German destroyer sunk by Russian submarine off Denmark. German auxiliary cruiser sunk off Patagonia.

Feb. 5.—Turks attempt to cross Suez Canal.

Feb. 6.—Allies resolve to unite financial resources.

Feb. 8.—Total British casualties 104,000. Turks retreat from Suez Canal.

Feb. 10.—Germans execute the rebel Mariz.

Feb. 17.—Canadian contingent lands in France.

Feb. 20-27.—Over 10,000 Germans surrender in France.

Feb. 27.—Allied Fleet enters the Dardanelles after destructive bombardment.

Mar. 1.—House of Commons votes supplementary credit of 37 millions and a fresh credit of 250 millions.

CONTEMPORARY OPINION.

OUR SEA RIGHTS.

THE "OZONE."

The following leading article is from the *Globe* of February 15:—Questions have been raised among jurists as to our right to close the North Sea. That we have done so in our former wars and used our naval supremacy to the utmost is perhaps not a complete argument. But if further evidence of the propriety of our conduct as beligerents is necessary, there are precedents innumerable to be derived from the action of all powerful maritime nations in the past. Selden, in his great work, *Mare Clausum*, fully answered Grotius' "Mare Liberum." He cites the action of Venice in the Adriatic and of Portugal in the Western Seas, and these arguments were subsequently adopted by Holland in her own naval wars. This work of Selden's was treated by the English Government almost as a State paper; copies were deposited with due ceremony in the Exchequer and Admiralty. It was taken by foreign powers as a declaration of policy, and the work, which was prepared during the reign of Charles I., was republished in English under Cromwell, dedicated to the Supreme Authority of the Nation, the Commonwealth of England.

It may be argued, however, that international law has developed on such lines since the date of these precedents that they are no longer binding. There is, however, an excellent precedent in the nineteenth century when the President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln, declared an absolute and stringent blockade of all the ports of the Confederate States. There is in short ample justification without using the plan that "necessity knows no law," which goes to prove that England has every right to make the fullest use of her naval power in this way. Even if it does cause some additional inconvenience to the Dutch and the unhappy Belgians, this is nothing to the sufferings they must endure if the war is prolonged. It is not only the right but the absolute duty of the British Government to take this and every lawful step to bring the war to a close, and Ministers will have the support of the whole country and of most neutral nations in any efforts they make to do so. Within the limits set by International Law it is impossible to stretch the doctrine of naval siege too far.

March 8.—British aeroplanes attack Ostend.

March 9.—Second Canadian contingent lands in England.

March 10.—Four German submarines accounted for.

March 10.—British capture Neuve Chapelle.

March 14.—Announced that German losses in La Bassée region total 10,000 in three days.

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The Public are advised to post early as there is a danger of late posted correspondence missing the mail owing to the censorship.

The afternoon Mail for Canton will close at the General Post Office at 6 p.m. Nolite bag will be closed on board the steamer.

The Pillar Box formerly at the junction of Kimberley and Nathan Roads has been removed to the junction of Austin Avenue and Kimberley Road.

The Oriental, with the English Mail left, Singapore on Sunday, the 21st inst., and is expected to arrive here on Thursday, the 25th inst.

The Taku Maru, with the American Mail, ex Manchuria, is scheduled to arrive here on Sunday, the 28th inst.

MAILS DUE.

English, Oriental, 25th inst.
American, Taku Maru, 28th inst.

MAILS CLOSE TO-MORROW.

Shanghai, North China & Japan via Kobe
—Per YASAKA M., 23rd inst., 9 a.m.

Port Bayard & Haiphong—Per HUE, 23rd inst., 11 a.m.

Shanghai, N. China, Japan via
China, Maci, Victoria, B. C., Seattle
and United Kingdom via Canada
& Siberia—Per AXI M., 23rd Mar., 11 a.m.

(Tientsin-Pukow Railway Shanghai Br.
P. O. Friday, 26th inst.)

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAI-
CHING, 23rd inst., noon.

I Philippines Is.—Per TEAN, 23rd Mar., 3 p.m.

Shanghai, & North China—Per KAM-
CHOW, 23rd inst., 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 24th March.

Hoihow & Pakhoi—Per WENCHOW,
24th inst., 9 a.m.

Sandakan—Per MAUSAUNG, 24th inst.,
11 a.m.

Straits, India via Calcutta—Per NAM-
SANG, 24th inst., 11 a.m.

THURSDAY, 25th March.

Straits, Ceylon, Marseilles & London—
Per SUWA M., 25th, inst. 10 a.m.

Tientsin—Per HUICHOW, 25th inst., 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via
Nagasaki, Honolulu, United States, America & Canada
via San Francisco & United Kingdom via Canada (Europe
& Siberia)—Per CHIYO M., 25th inst. 11 a.m.

(Tientsin-Pukow Railway Shanghai Br.
P. O. Monday, 29th March.)

FRIDAY, 26th March.

Strait, Burmah, Ceylon, Adel-

aide, Western Australia, India,

Aden, Egypt, and Europe.

Late Letters 10.30 a.m. to 11 a.m. (Extra Postage 10 cents).

(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first cleavage will be included in this contract mail.) The parcel mail will be closed on Thursday the 25th inst. at 5 p.m.—Per NUBIA, 26th inst. 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAI-
CHING, 26th inst., noon.

SATURDAY, 27th March.

Philippines Is., Japan via Nagasaki and
Seattle, Wash.—Per MINNE-
SOTA, 27th inst., 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, 30th March.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAI-
CHING, 30th inst., noon.

Philippines Is.—Per CHINHUA, 30th
inst., 3 p.m.

TIDE TABLE.

22nd Mar., to 28th Mar., 1915.

High Water
Low Water
Mean Tide
Mean High
Mean Low

Mon. 22. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Tues. 23. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Wed. 24. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

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Sat. 27. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Sun. 28. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

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Wed. 14. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Thurs. 15. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Fri. 16. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Sat. 17. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Sun. 18. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Mon. 19. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

Tues. 20. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

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